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Application No.: 10/625,526) Examiner: Patel, Natasha
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Filed: July 24, 2003) Confirmation No.: 8161
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SYSTEMS FOR MULTIPLE)
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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c)

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97(c), Applicant brings to the attention of the Examiner the documents listed on the attached PTO/SB/08 form. Applicant files this Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) after the period set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b), but before the mailing date of either a Final action, Quayle action, or a Notice of Allowance, to the undersigned representative's knowledge at the time of filing this IDS. Under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c), this Information Disclosure Statement is accompanied by a fee of \$180.00 as specified by Section 1.17(p). This IDS supplements the IDSs filed on December 15, 2004, April 11, 2006, and June 20, 2006.

Copies of the listed foreign and non-patent literature documents are attached. Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider the listed documents and indicate their consideration by making appropriate notation on the attached PTO/SB/08 form.

Applicant notes that the Examiner crossed out several references listed on the PTO/SB/08 form corresponding to the IDS filed on April 11, 2006 and returned it with the May 2, 2006 Office Action for this application. First, in several instances, the Examiner marked “could not find/identify” on the PTO/SB/08. Second, the Examiner crossed out “D’AIOTOLO et al., “Tratamiento De Las Arritmias Cardiacas,” Buenos Aires (1968) (in Spanish). pp. 1-112” and “SILVA, “Influencia de la Localizacion de la Estimulacion Electrica Ventricular Sobre la Eficiencia Cardiaca. Estudio Experimental Y Clinico,” Tesis Doctoral para la Universidad Autonoma De Madrid Facultad de Medicina (1987), pp. 1-150 (Doctoral Thesis, in Spanish).” Applicant resubmits copies of the references the Examiner indicated were missing and has provided either full or partial English-language translations of the two non-English documents mentioned above.

Applicant also encloses a copy of a European Office Action, mailed in a corresponding European application on July 17, 2006, citing documents US 4,712,555, WO 86/05698, EP 0 494 487, EP 0 726 082, and EP 1 249 254. The documents and the Office Action are also listed on the attached PTO/SB/08.

This submission does not represent that a search has been made or that no better art exists and does not constitute an admission that the listed documents are material or constitute “prior art.” If the Examiner applies any or all of the documents as prior art against any claim in the application and Applicant determines that the cited documents do not constitute “prior art” under United States law, Applicant reserves the right to present the relevant facts and law to the Office regarding the appropriate status of such documents.

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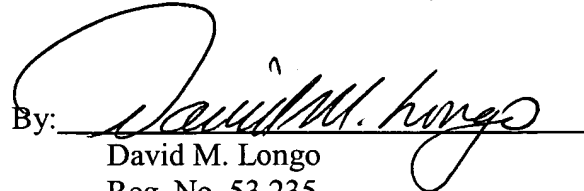
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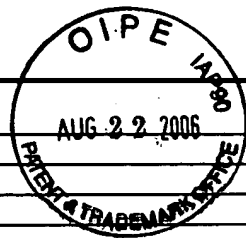
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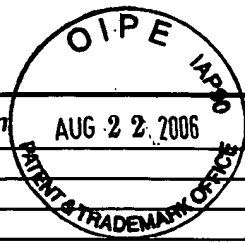
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		WO 86/05698	10/09/1986	Pacesetter Systems, Inc.		Yes

NON PATENT LITERATURE DOCUMENTS			
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